

WHY SHOULD I STUDY THEOLOGY?

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Justifications

- Feed my salvation so that it is living, don't to save me.
- Discover the genuine happiness which is discovering the deep of God through the theological research.
- Grow up my relationship with Christ as my Creator and Savior.
- Glorify the name of God with my testimony for the principles studied.
- Seek and Feed the salvation of my neighbor.
- Defend the Bible as the word of God with confirmed arguments for Salvation of my neighbor, don't for own pride.
- Contribute Bible interpretations or correct translations through the Hebrew or Greek study for Salvation of my neighbor, don't for own pride.

Notes

Anyway if I like a theologian haven't carefully completed the previous justifications, then the competition between colleagues and church brothers will be my world, the pride of the theological knowledge would drag my life, and Jesus wouldn't become a personal experience for me but a name called Christ who haven't power toward me. So the Bible would be a more theoretical book.



Ellen G. White

The erroneous teachings of popular theology have made thousands upon thousands of skeptics and infidels. There are errors and inconsistencies which many denounce as the teaching of the Bible that are really false interpretations of Scripture. . . . Instead of criticizing the Bible, let us seek, by precept and example, to present to the world its sacred, life-giving truths, that we may "show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light" (1 Peter 2:9).

God's Amazing Grace (1973) Chap. 22 A Girdle of truth

One reason why many theologians have no clearer understanding of God's word is, they close their eyes to truths which they do not wish to practice. As understanding of Bible truth depends not so much on the power of intellect brought to the search as on the singleness of purpose, the earnest longing after righteousness.

The Great Controversy (1911) Chap. 37 the Scriptures a Safeguard - page 599